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"Salved Opium" Prices

(By "Paul Pry")

Despite an official denial last week of my report that there were strong grounds for believing that some of the 2,200 lb. of opium dumped in the sea off Hong Kong had been recovered, underground contacts still insist that my version is substantially correct.

According to these sources, there are at least 70 opium dens in Kowloon where some of the salved opium can be obtained. Clients are offered the choice of two kinds of opium—the normal stuff, at \$72 a tael, and "salt water goods," at \$36 a tael.

The official denial said that "recovery is impossible because the spot chosen for the dumping is probably the deepest in the East China Sea." Even those who don't know the actual spot where the opium was dumped greeted that remark with a ribald "Oh Yeah?"

The No. 1 Police launch, which carried out the dumping on April 30th, left port at 11.15 a.m. The dumping was carried out at noon. I haven't a chart handy in the office, but I venture to assert that even the 60-knot PT boat lying in Causeway Bay couldn't get to "the deepest" portion of the East China Sea in three-quarters of an hour—and our local Police launches are no speed-raft.

Air Hero Missing

Salisbury, Rhodesia, May 10.
Colonel Chesley G. Peterson, an American air hero in World War II, is missing in a plane in which he was flying with three passengers from Salisbury to Dar-es-Salaam on Friday.

Four Royal Air Force planes left Salisbury this afternoon to search for the missing aircraft. Peterson is now the American air and military attaché at Johannesburg.

The plane left Salisbury in Friday morning. It failed to arrive at Mbeya, where it was due at 2:30 p.m. local time.

Peterson, whose home town is Salt Lake City, Utah, was a member of the American "Eagle Squadron" in the RAF before the United States entered the war.—United Press.

Fantastic Soviet Allegations

Moscow, May 11.
Pravda said today that an American official threatened six months imprisonment for an actress due to play a leading part in the Berlin production of "The Russian Question," a Russian play which depicts American newsmen as anti-Soviet propagandists. The play opened last week in Berlin.

The Communist newspaper said other opponents of the play resorted to "blackmail to force German actors not to participate." (Officials of the United States Information Control Division in Berlin said the Pravda accusation was "sheer nonsense" and asserted they were "amused by such inventions.")

Commentator Yuri Korolkov said that the actress threatened with imprisonment was Lola Mützel. He said she was living with her family in Switzerland when invited to act in the play.

Korolkov continued "after receiving an American visa the actress arrived in Berlin, but the stamp was missing from her passport. When a general rehearsal was approaching, Lola Mützel was suddenly called out by one of the American officials who said she was accused of travelling illegally through the American zone and thereby threatened with six months imprisonment." But, said the American official, "you may avoid punishment if you refuse to play the role." Lola Mützel was compelled to refuse to participate in the play and her role was given to another actress.

SHANGHAI TENSION

Rice Shops Keep Doors Closed NO OFFICIAL REPLY YET TO WORKERS' MANIFESTO

Shanghai, May 11.

While Shanghai awaited the National Government's reaction to the ultimatum issued yesterday by the Federation of Industrial and Utility Workers, the majority of the city's rice shops remained closed today for fear of further rioting.

Despite police assurances of full protection, rice merchants are not willing to re-open for business until assured of "absolute safety." In a manifesto issued yesterday, the Federation, which claims the support of 800,000 labourers, threatened to call a general strike, among other measures, if its demands for economic improvement are not met by noon on Monday. Few people here believe that the threat will be carried out in full if compliance is not forthcoming.

In Nanking today, the Vice-Minister of Social Affairs, Huang-Tu-tu, stated that his Ministry had sent instructions to Shanghai carefully to investigate the strike movements in the city.

He had no comment to make on the ultimatum and gave no indication as to whether the Government would or would not comply with the demands. Wu Kai-hsien, Director of the Shanghai Bureau of Social Affairs, just before his departure from Nanking this afternoon stated that he had received no official confirmation of newspaper reports of the ultimatum.

C.G.R.A. Strike
Meanwhile, the strike of the Chinese Government Radio Administration employees entered the second day without any indication of an early solution to

London Milkmen On Strike

London, May 11.
Half a million residents of London's East End went without milk today because of a strike of 500 delivery men who are trying to enlist the support of other dairy workers to spread the strike throughout the city tomorrow.

The workers struck without union support over the London Co-operative Dairy's decision to cut commission payments and to abolish overtime.

They asked deliverymen of the United Dairies and Express Dairy—the city's largest—to strike tomorrow.—United Press.

9,000 Fined On The Spot

Amritsar, May 10.
A fine of 20 rupees each, payable on the spot, was levied on more than 9,000 inhabitants of an area in Amritsar, Holy City of the Sikhs, where armed men today burnt seven men to death after sprinkling them with gasoline.

Another five victims were rescued by the Police after sustaining severe burns. Money raised by the fine will be used to compensate the families of the victims.

Police, searching the area, unearthed a large quantity of weapons, including pickaxes, spears and iron-shod staves. More than 50 people were detained for questioning.

Sardar Sher Singh Majhail, president of the committee of the famous Sikh Golden Temple in Amritsar, had to fight his way with his kirkp, a ceremonial sword worn by all Sikhs, through an armed crowd which tried to molest him as he was driving out in a jeep to his village home outside the city.

Two fatal stabbing assaults were reported during the day, bringing the casualties of two days' communal rioting in the city to 14 killed and 14 injured.—Reuter.

YOWLS WERE NOT THE SKELETON

Edinburgh, May 10.
Attracted by unearthly yowls, workmen today discovered a human skeleton in the municipal incinerator. However, investigation disclosed the skeleton had been discarded by medical students. The yowls came from a cat which had been trapped in the incinerator.—United Press.

APPEAL BY HONG KONG DEMOCRATS

(By "Paul Pry")

"We trust that the whole nation will rise to give unanimous support to the movement initiated by the Federation of Industrial Workers."

This is the key-note of a manifesto issued last night by Chinese democratic elements in Hong Kong. Among the signatories to the appeal for support for the Shanghai workers are Mr. Li Tai-shen, Mrs. Liao Chung-kai, General Tsai Ting-kai, Peng Tse-min, General Chang Wen and Dr. Cheng Yu-tang.

The manifesto reads as follows:—
"Fellow-countrymen in Shanghai and other parts of China:

"Owing to the present grave situation of food supply, our people are on the verge of starvation. To overcome this crisis, the five-point demands voiced by the Federation of Industrial Workers in Shanghai are actually the demands of the whole nation."

Govt. "Hostile"

"We fully agree to the argument advanced by the Federation that mass starvation cannot be avoided unless the cost of living is immediately brought down and that China cannot be saved from complete destruction unless the civil war promptly be stopped. Should the government still resort to procrastination with empty words or to suppression with force, it would mean that the government is determined to be hostile to the people."

"The present situation is too critical to be overlooked. We trust that the whole nation will rise to give unanimous support to the movement initiated by the Federation of Industrial Workers."

The document is signed:—
Marshall Li Tai-shen, Madame Liao Chung-kai, Gen. Tsai Ting-kai, Peng Tse-min (Chairman of the Southern Branch of the China Democratic League), Gen. Wang Wen and Dr. Chen Yu-tang (Vice Chairmen of the Branch), Prof. Chen Chi-yuan, Feng Yu-tang, Gen. Li Chang-tai, Prof. Teng Chu-min, Chen Tsai-seng, Li Pei-chiu, Kuo Kwan-chieh and Yang Pei-kai, Mrs. Chang Yen (widow of Gen. Chang Yen), Yun Ying-lin, Prof. Shen Chin-yuan, Huang Yao-mien and Chien Chia-chu, Sa Kung-liao and Liu Sze-mu, (all members of the Executive Committee of the said Branch), and Miss Chou Ying (secretary of the National Labor Federation of China).

The Weather

A weak anticyclone covers E. China and the S. coast of Japan by moving ESE and deepening. A small tropical depression over Central America is moving NE and probably filling up. Another tropical depression appears to be developing to the N of Palau.

Today's Forecast—Moderate S and SE winds; cloudy, with partial clearing during the day warmer.

Yesterday's Weather—
Maximum: 75.5 deg. F.
Minimum: 71.5 deg. F.
Wind: S.W. 10-15 m.p.h.
Rainfall: Nil.
Relative Humidity: 75-85%
Baromet. Trend: Total since Jan. 1—112.5 mm. an average of 112.5 mm.

Readings at:
Date: at 11 a.m. (11.15 a.m. if possible)
Scale: 29.92 mm. Hg.
Bar. Pressure: 29.92 mm. Hg.
Wind: S.W. 10-15 m.p.h.
Wind Direction: S.W.
Wind Force: 10-15 m.p.h.

PROTECTING THE CURATE

Blackburn, May 11.
In order to protect young unmarried Curates from "husband hunters" the Bishop of Blackburn has ruled that all newly-ordained ministers under 25 in his Diocese must remain single for at least two years.

"The young Curate is always considered fair game by certain young ladies in every parish," the Bishop explained.—Reuter.

Earth Tremors

San Diego, May 11.
A series of earthquakes shook Southern California late on Saturday night shaking buildings at Twenty-nine Palms—100 miles south of Los Angeles.

No damage was reported. The quakes were probably centred off the coast of Lower California.—United Press.

Felt in Japan

Tokyo, May 11.
A slight earth tremor was felt in Northern Kyushu and Shikoku at 6:35 a.m. Tokyo time, the Central Meteorological Observatory announced today.

The epicentre was in the neighborhood of Hida in Gifu prefecture. No damage was reported.—Associated Press.

TRAPPED IN SHIP

Avonmouth, May 10.
Trapped by fire today in the s.s. Empire Deben, 12,000-ton troopship which was formerly a German liner, at the Royal Edward Docks at Avonmouth, some of the crew escaped by climbing through a porthole on to the quay wall.

The fire was soon extinguished but the galley deck and sleeping quarters were badly damaged.—Reuter.

Government Film Industry Plan

London, May 11.
A spokesman for the Board of Trade reported on Saturday that consideration of proposals to found a Government-owned film industry in Britain has been postponed until later in the year.

A State-owned industry producing films and operating two chains of cinemas competing with existing commercial groups had been suggested by a special committee of the Labour Party.

Saturday's announcement said that Sir Stafford Cripps, President of the Board of Trade, "discussed the committee's proposals at a purely informal meeting, and he suggested another meeting later in the year when the position of the film industry generally will be more clear."

The "Evening Standard" reported that Sir Stafford Cripps "surprised" Labour Party leaders by opposing the State film proposals and expressing concern at the "danger of expression of potential media of propaganda."
The Board of Trade spokesman said that Sir Stafford has not arrived at any decision on

GM, Ford Crack Down On Labour

Detroit, May 11.
General Motors and Ford, the world's two largest auto producers, today cracked down on unions representing their workers.

General Motors served notice that it intended to hold CIO Auto Workers to account for "wildcat" strikes. Ford defied the Independent Foremen's Association of America to call the threatened strike on May 17. General Motors penalised 450 workers with two-day layoffs for leaving their jobs at Detroit plants to take part in the UAW "Save Labour" rally at Detroit on April 24. The corporation also discharged 15 workers and handed heavy layoffs to 25 other UAW men.

The Ford challenge to the FAA was contained in a letter from John Bugas Ford, Vice-President and Industrial Relations Director, to Robert H. Keys, FAA President. The letter said:

"If you think that by a strike you can coerce the company into some agreement which we know is not workable, or if you think foremen have no management responsibility, perhaps this is as good a time as any to settle those issues."

Bugas said the company wanted to work out harmonious relationships with the FAA but that it would not "be pressured into an arrangement which we know from experience will not work."—United Press.

Singapore Income Tax --Next Year!

Singapore, May 10.
Sir Franklin Gimson, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Singapore, announced today that income tax would be introduced in Singapore on Jan. 1 next.

He said, although the target date was January, 1948, the need for revenue was great, however, and if possible, income tax might be introduced earlier. Introduction of income tax would depend on the recommendations of the income tax officer recently loaned to Singapore by the Inland Revenue Department of the United Kingdom and the approval of Singapore's Advisory Council.—Reuter.

H.K. THE THIRD BEST MARKET

San Francisco, May 11.
Hong Kong rates next to the Philippines and Siam in offering the best immediate market in the Orient, according to John E. Fields, publisher of the Far East Trader.

He told the Institute for World Trade today that Japan offers little hope for United States exports on a private trade basis for the next year or two.

China, he declared, offered little chance of export trade until China's economic crisis subsides or explodes.

Dr. Eugene Staley, executive director of the San Francisco Bay Region Institute of Pacific Relations, recommended for improving Oriental markets "they must produce more. We must learn to import more."

Private Credit
Charles C. Pines of Montreal, loan director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, said a revival of world trade will always be dependent on a free flow of private credit closely related to the movement of goods.

The International Bank, he said, can create conditions favourable for a world trade revival but cannot revive it alone.—Associated Press.

The Tories Make A "Promise"

London, May 11.
A clear indication that the Conservative Party, if returned to power, will not necessarily denationalise industries acquired by the State under the Labour Government is given in "The Industrial Charter," a statement of Conservative industrial policy, issued today by the special committee set up last year.

The document, of which Mr. Richard Butler, formerly Education Minister, is the principal author, says:—

"We cannot decide here and now what we will do for the industries about which bills are still being passed. Rather than completely denationalising mines, we shall have a closer enquiry into how they are being run. The board which operates them for the State seems to have far too much power."

The document adds that the Conservatives will "make sure that Parliament watches over this

"VANGUARD" HOME AGAIN.

Portsmouth, May 11.
There was a Royal romance in the warm spring air in this historic harbour city as U.S.S. "Vanguard" brought King George, Queen Elizabeth and the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose back from their two-month tour of South Africa.

The Royal Family planned to spend the night on board before disembarking on Monday for elaborate welcome ceremonies in London.—United Press.

Hitler Did Not Marry Eva

Washington, May 11.
Hitler could not have married Eva Braun because such an act would have been "in bad taste."

Former Nazi Grand Admiral Erich Raeder makes this and other assertions about Hitler and Germany in hitherto secret documents published by the U.S. War Department today.

Besides denying the reports that Hitler legitimized his relations with Eva Braun, Raeder also declares "without foundation" the rumour that the Fuehrer had escaped to Spain or Argentina.

The published documents include a statement by Nicholas Horthy, Jr., son of the former Hungarian Regent, that the Germans bombed two Hungarian towns with Russian planes to rouse the country to enter the war on the side of the Nazis.—United Press.

industry" and goes on to declare that the Party will not denationalise the Bank of England.—Reuter.

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Coming Events

May 13—Rotary Club. T.M. Speaker, Mr. Vernon Bartlett on "Britain, Russia and United States." Gloucester Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

May 13—Tee H Meeting, 50 Macdonnell Rd., 9.30 p.m. Guest Speaker: Captain B. Bryant, D.S.O., D.S.C., R.N., of H.M.S. "Adamant" on "Submarine War."

May 16 and 17—"Shamshulpo Cocktail," KCC, 9 p.m.

May 17—China Emporium extraordinary meeting, 3 p.m.

May 21—Union Waterboat Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting, Dodwell's Office, 11 a.m.

May 24—H.K. & Yumut-Ferries, annual meeting, noon.

May 28—H.K. Realty & Trust Co. annual meeting, noon.

May 29—H.K. Tramways Ltd. annual meeting, Jardine's of. noon.

May 31—China Emporium annual meeting, 3 p.m.

All Roads Lead To The Beaches

The advent of summer has served to reawaken one of the most popular forms of outdoor recreation available to local school children—weekly picnics, hiking or bathing parties.

Every week-end finds thousands of school children off to the beaches or the hills, complete with cooking utensils and "cans."

To lorry owners and public utility companies, these weekly excursions are proving to be a most profitable source of added income.

The bathing beaches along Castle Peak Road are a most popular rendezvous for bathing parties. The large number of footed and uninhabited bathing sheds are a great boon to the youngsters, who are thus able to save on the high rate demanded for the hire of tents on beaches where no changing facilities exist.

A. T. SHEPPARD DEAD

Cambridge, May 10. Alfred Tressard Sheppard, author, poet and critic, died in a Cambridge nursing home today after a long illness. He was 75.

Sheppard was best known as an author of historical fiction. His novel "Here Comes The Old Soldier" was rated among the outstanding books of 1927. He was also a student and writer of history and biography.—Reuter.

STRANGULATION SLAYING

Tokyo, May 11. Police said tonight Sumi Yamada, 22, had confessed to the strangulation slaying of a 40-year old Portuguese-Japanese dancer, Rumyo Suzuki, whose body was found in a manhole near a Tokyo hospital.

The police said Yamada admitted twisting the woman's kimono around her neck.—Associated Press.

INDO-CHINA PEACE FEELERS REPORTED TAKING SHAPE

Alliance To Be Renewed

Paris, May 10. Negotiations will shortly be opened between France and Czechoslovakia for conclusion of an alliance on the lines of the Franco-Soviet and Franco-British alliances.

Preliminary talks will take place in Paris and Prague, in accordance with arrangements made with Dr. Fierlinger, Czech Foreign Minister, who left Paris for Prague today.

A Franco-Czechoslovak cultural treaty was signed in Paris in December, 1945. Reports of an impending Franco-Czechoslovak alliance were current last August but were then described as "highly premature"—Reuter.

Peps Up His I.Q.

Los Angeles, May 11. Oswald Jorstad, 27, has proved to the police that he is at his best driving a car after a stiff whisky and four bottles of beer.

After tests, a jury quickly acquitted him of drunken driving charges.

Testifying on Jorstad's behalf, Dr. William Harper, robbery expert for Pasadena Police Department, said that Jorstad reacted three-one-hundredths of a second quicker after taking the drinks than he did without them.

For the test, Jorstad was given four bottles of beer and a stiff Scotch and soda—the same drinks he had had before his arrest.

Jewish Immigration

Lausanne, May 11. The Jewish Agency today sent a memorandum to the Preparatory Commission of the International Refugee Organisation asking it to set up a special department to care for Jewish displaced persons.

The memorandum said: "Jewish displaced persons have on several occasions stated they regarded the Jewish Agency for Palestine as their sole representative to speak on their behalf."

The Agency estimated that about 25,000 Jewish refugees have left Europe since April, 1946, and said if the IRO provided more transportation immigration could be speeded up.

The memorandum estimated there were about 400,000 Jewish refugees and displaced persons throughout the world.—United Press.

Salmon, May 10. Peace feelers between the French and the Vietnamese (Indo-Chinese nationalists), which have been sensed for over three weeks, both here and outside Indo-China, are now expected to take a more concrete form at Hanoi while the French High Commissioner, M. Emile Bollaert, is visiting next Wednesday.

A letter, presumably containing "peace offers" from Dr. Ho Chi Minh's Government, has already been delivered to M. Bollaert's "personal envoy," who is now in Hanoi.

During his three-day stay at Hanoi, M. Bollaert will make a public speech which may have a vital bearing on the political situation in Indo-China.

No final settlement is envisaged, however, until after M. Bollaert returns from Paris about the middle of June. He is expected to leave for Paris on May 26.

As the preliminary negotiations with the Vietnamese Government gain momentum, several small political groups are hurriedly rallying together under a new political party called the "All Viet-Nam Nationalist Front" in order to negotiate with the French authorities.

Annun Emperor? The new party's spokesmen claim that some of their leaders have already established contacts with the official intermediaries. They also claim that the Emperor of Annam is the leader of the new party, notwithstanding the latter's repeated declarations that he is no longer interested in politics.

The Nationalist Front, according to a manifesto recently issued, has the same ideal as Dr. Ho Chi Minh's party, namely unity and independence of Viet-Nam inside the French Union, but it is opposed to the present Government of Dr. Ho Chi Minh because "it is of a Communist and totalitarian nature."—Reuter.

Ho-Statement

Salmon, May 11. President Ho Chi Minh of the Viet Nam insurgent Government declared that France should recognize the independence of his regime and should deal with Indo-China in the same "wise manner" as the United States dealt with the Philippines.

The assertion was contained in a written reply on questions submitted two months ago through underground channels. He said "when we obtain independence we will cooperate in a brotherly fashion with France, which we like and admire."

Asked if he is willing to remove from the Cabinet any members particularly objectionable to the French he replied that his Government "can make any change to win independence." Of the new French Commissioner, Emile Bollaert, he said "we will wait and see before forming an opinion."—Associated Press.

Mr. Vernon Bartlett, M.P., will address the Rotary Club of Hong Kong on "Britain, Russia and United States" tomorrow. The meeting will be held at 12.30 p.m. in the Gloucester Hotel.

FOWL SLAUGHTER

London, May 11. The recent slaughter of 17,000 fowls to prevent the spread of fowl pest in Britain has caused the loss of two million eggs to British consumers, in the next 12 months, the poultry Association of Great Britain announced today.—Reuter.

Half-Black War Babies Off To US

London, May 11. Five thousand dusky war babies whose fathers were American negroes will be shipped back to the U.S.

The British mothers cannot fit them into life here and a large liner has been chartered to carry the children to America. The children's ages vary from 12 months to five years.

There are at least 10,000 illegitimate coloured babies as a result of the American Army "invasion."

A colony will be established near Liverpool for the other 6000.

It has a private preparatory boarding school and other educational facilities will be provided as the children become old enough.

In Expert Hands

Solicitor to the Negro Welfare Society, E. B. Kendall, said today a liner has been promised and the children will sail together under the care of expert doctors and nurses.

At present, the babies are in institutions and a few with their mothers.

Mr. Kendall said: "Most of these mothers are married women and they've told us they will be only too pleased to send their coloured children to a place where their chances of happiness are greater."

"I've had a letter from Mrs. Roosevelt telling me she is interested and is organising funds in America."

The fate of coloured babies has aroused the American people and workers are holding concerts and meetings to raise money for their welfare.

At about 8.30 last night, five men, four of whom were armed with revolvers, entered the Yick Cheong Goldsmith Shop, 164 Johnston Road, and after holding up the inmates, decamped with jewellery to the value of \$2,800 and \$800 in cash.

India Hand-Over Plan

Simla, May 10. Plans for the handing over of power in India will be communicated to the Indian leaders by Rear Admiral Lord Mountbatten, the Viceroy, in New Delhi next Saturday.

The announcement said that the Viceroy had invited representatives of Congress, the Muslim League and the Sikhs to meet him in New Delhi on the morning of May 17 "to present to them the plan which His Majesty's Government has now made for transfer of power to Indian hands."

Indian leaders invited to meet the Viceroy include Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, Vice-President of the Interim Government, Mr. Mohammed Ali Jinnah, President of the Muslim League, and Mr. Sardar Baldev Singh, Sikh Minister of Defence in the Interim Government.

The Viceroy has also invited representatives of Indian states who were on the Committee set up to negotiate the representation of the Indian States in the Constituent Assembly to meet him the afternoon of May 17.—Reuter.

Hamburg, May 10. The French military government at Coblenz announced today that the French Foreign Ministry intended to start trade talks for an exchange of goods between the Soviet and French occupation zones of Germany.—Reuter.

Germans Won't Carry The Baby

Berlin, May 11. Responsible British officials expressed fear today that a number of municipal administrations in the large British zone cities were on the verge of a breakdown because German officials were unwilling to shoulder responsibility for the food shortage.

This new angle in the de-terrorizing German food situation was disclosed as leaders of mine workers in the Ruhr defeated a proposal by Leftwing Unionists to call a two day strike of 300,000 coal miners to protest the food shortages.

Union representatives attending a meeting at Bochum, said a large majority opposed the walkout on the grounds that it would do nothing to alleviate the food shortage and the increasing tension in the Ruhr and would retard badly needed coal production.

Reports have reached Berlin from both Wuppertal and Brunswick that the city councils have announced withdrawal from their duties until there is a visible improvement in the food situation.

In the present circumstances, they assert, they cannot be held responsible for law and order.—Associated Press.

German Situation Appalling

Berlin, May 10. Lord Pakenham, the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, who has been making a three-day visit to the British zone of Germany, told an informal meeting of press correspondents tonight: "The situation is appalling."

"I shall work passionately and absolutely flat out to see if the situation cannot be improved."

"The German food situation is the first and last with me when I say my prayers in the morning—and I mean that literally—and again at night," he said.

Lord Pakenham said that it was essential that German industry should be restored to some "respectable agreed level" and that the food problem was at the back of all other problems.

He promised to enquire into what the American correspondents described as "a new black-out" on the present food crisis threat in the British zone.—Reuter.

Berlin Talks

Berlin, May 10. Lord Pakenham, new British Minister in charge of German affairs, saw the United States commander-in-chief, General Lucius Clay and the United States political adviser, Mr. Robert Murphy today and is believed to have discussed the German food situation, which threatens a recurrence of the recent crisis. The talk was officially described, however, as routine.

Lord Pakenham ended a three-day visit to the British zone in Germany by attending a meeting of the Allied Control Council. He will fly back to Britain tomorrow.—Reuter.

Handed Back

Hersford, May 10. The Internal Affairs and Communications Division of the British Commission is being disbanded under the policy of passing more power back to the hands of elected German provincial governments.

The division formerly controlled education, police, and civil affairs and posts and telegraphs.

All these functions, except posts and telegraphs, will now pass to the administration of the provisional German governments under the overriding authority of the local British regional commanders.—Reuter.

Coalition Cabinet In Italy Possible

Rome, May 10. Premier Alcide de Gasperi conferred for the third successive day today with President Enrico de Nicola, and political observers said he was still considering plans to weaken the leftist strength in the Government by bringing all parties into the Cabinet.

Today's special cabinet meeting was postponed until Monday while de Gasperi continued his heavy schedule of conferences with political leaders and arranged more discussions for tomorrow.

His Christian Democrat Party produced more complaints against his failure to break with the Communists, as observers speculated that he was sounding out party chiefs to determine how much support he can count on in a vote of confidence.

De Gasperi confirmed he did not believe a long chaotic debate was necessary before the Assembly tackled the political situation and either backs or disapproves his direction of the Government.

The Communists and Socialists took note of indications that the Premier still wanted more than just a mere addition of technical experts to the Cabinet by stating that the inclusion of "rightist" elements in the Government was not necessary in view of the fact that the Government was now composed of the best elements of the Italian people.—Associated Press.

Jap Bomb-Balloon Sites Located

Tokyo, May 10. An American 1st Cavalry reconnaissance party, penetrating the remote Otsu peninsula on Japan's east coast, north of Tokyo, discovered evidence of one of Japan's top war secrets—the concrete sites from which the Japanese launched their bombing balloons across the Pacific in 1944 in an attempt to blast the United States, it was disclosed today.

Generating plants, special platforms and other equipment for the alien gas-filled balloons were found scattered over hundreds of acres in the Otsu area.

The balloons, which were loaded with explosives, were borne on eastward gales and remained aloft for days. Most of them, however, never found targets and information regarding the few that did reach the North American coast was withheld from the Japanese.

The Japanese are reported to have spent the equivalent of \$500,000,000 on the balloon project which was a top secret.

Thousands of fishermen were evacuated from the area and special roads and railways built to carry the balloon silk, chemicals and explosives from the main rail routes from the factories in Tokyo and other industrial regions to Otsu.—Reuter.

'Nellore's' Unusual Cargo

When the s.s. "Nellore" arrived from Australia yesterday and tied up at Mackies Wharf, she had on board an unusually assorted cargo.

On deck, she had two 32-ton tug boats, two motor launches and a work-bout.

The "Nellore" also brought 135 Australian ponies for the Hong Kong Jockey Club. The work of disembarking these animals and transferring them to the Jockey Club Stables at Happy Valley was carried out without a hitch.

Other cargo included 600 tons of farm implements and about 600 tons of food to UNRRA.

Mr. W. Gockson, Managing Director of the Wing On Co., Ltd., and Mrs. Gockson, were among the passengers to return by the "Nellore." Mr. Gockson has been on a visit to Australia for the purpose of purchasing Australian goods for the local market.

Female Equality Grouse

Tokyo, May 11. This new "male-female equality" apparently does not sit too well with some of the Japanese boys.

A fifth grader, Atsushi Nishikawa, in a letter to the "Mainichi," complained bitterly: "The girls at our school now take our baseball bats, gloves and balls away and play ball while we boys have to play something else quietly inside the building."

The boy added his voice to other schoolboys who, on a recent nationwide children on the street radio programme, lamented that "the girls now think they, too, are good."

Atsushi said he was on the school children's committee and tried to pass a rule that "the girls must not raise too much rumpus in the classrooms and corridors." This was overruled by the girls.

"If this is coeducation, I think it would be better if it were abolished," he wrote.

(The elementary schools always have been coeducational but the boys formerly bossed the girls around.)—Associated Press.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m. and 8.30 to 11.00 p.m. and also on 0.62 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.15, 0.30, to 7.30 and 9.00 to 11.00 p.m. I.R.T.

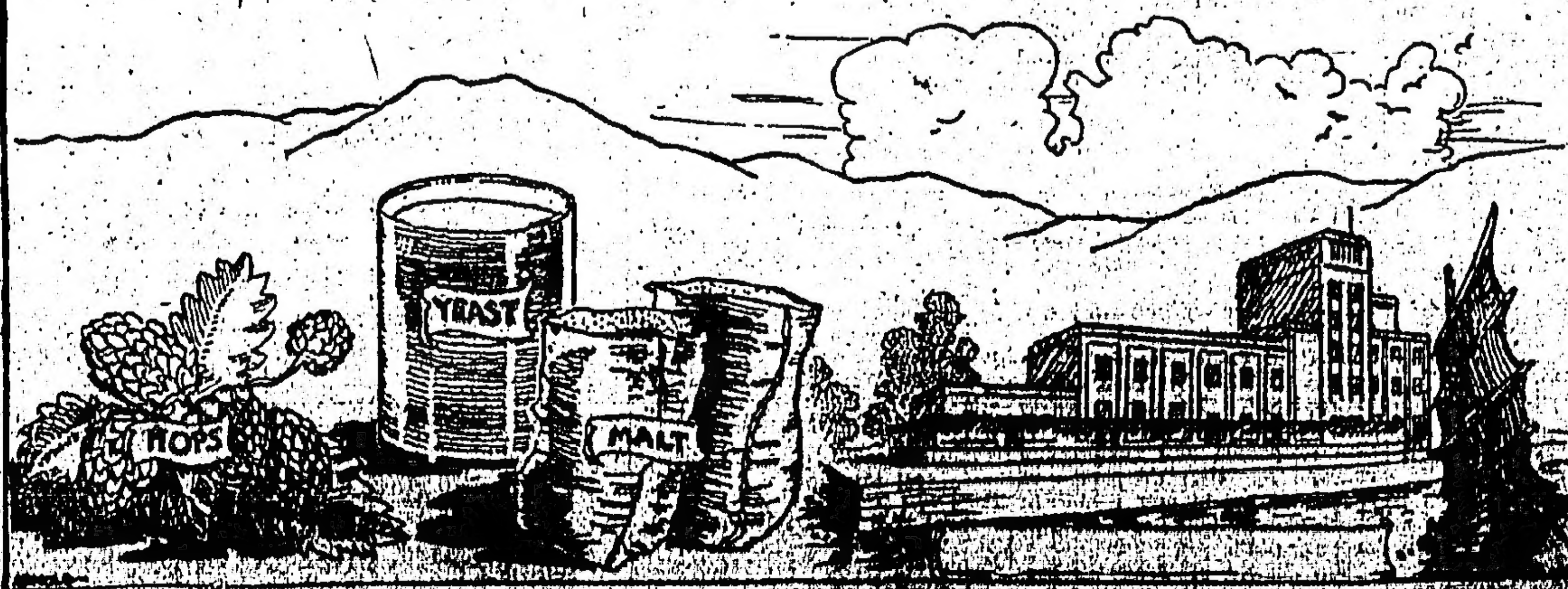
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
1.00 p.m.—Variety.
1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.15 p.m.—AT Bellington at the Organ.
1.30 p.m.—Heddie Nash (Tenor) and the New Symphony Orchestra.
2.00 p.m.—Class Drama.
2.30 p.m.—Film Presentation.
2.30 p.m.—Music Theatre.
2.40 p.m.—Studio "I Like What I Like" Presented by Herbert Ross.
2.50 p.m.—London, Tokyo, New York News.
3.15 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
3.30 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
3.45 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
4.00 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
4.15 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
4.30 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
4.45 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
5.00 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
5.15 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
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10.30 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
10.45 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
11.00 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
11.15 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
11.30 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
11.45 p.m.—London (Radio) News.
12.00 p.m.—London (Radio) News.

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PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF Wil-
liam Edgar Peers of 2
Causeway Hill, Hongkong,
Pilot Officer R.A.F., de-
ceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Court has by virtue of
Section 58 of the Probates Or-
dinance 1897, made an Order
limiting the time for creditors
and others to send in their
claims against the above estate
to the 28th day of May 1947.

All creditors and others are
accordingly hereby required to
send their claims to the under-
signed on or before that date.

Dated the 2nd day of May 1947.

JOHNSON STOKES
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HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Ordinary Yearly Gen-
eral Meeting of HONGKONG
TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be
held at the Offices of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson and Com-
pany, Limited, Hongkong, on
Thursday, the 29th day of May,
1947, at 12 o'clock Noon, to
transact the ordinary business
of the Company.

And, NOTICE IS HEREBY
ALSO GIVEN that the Regis-
ter of Members of the Com-
pany will be closed from the
16th day of May to the 11th
day of June, 1947, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary

Hongkong, 6th May, 1947.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that an Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Com-
pany will be held at the Offices
of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson &
Co., Ltd., 18 Pedder Street, Hong-
kong, on Thursday, the 29th
day of May, 1947, at 12.20 in
the afternoon or so soon there-
after as the Annual General
Meeting shall have been con-
cluded for the purpose of pro-
posing and if thought fit pass-
ing the subjoined resolution as
a special resolution viz:—

That the Articles of Associa-
tion be altered by cancelling
Articles 127 (a) and 127 (b)
and that the following Articles
be substituted:—

"127 (a) Any General Meeting
may resolve that any monies
investments or other assets form-
ing part of the un-
divided profits of the
company or any un-
realised profits arising
from revaluation of
any assets of the
company and stand-
ing to the credit of
any reserve or any
capital redemption
reserve fund, or in
the hands of the
company and avail-
able for dividend (or
representing pre-
miums received on
the issue of shares
and standing to the
credit of the share
premium account) be
capitalised and dis-
tributed amongst
such of the share-
holders as would be
entitled to receive
the same if distrib-
uted by way of di-
vidend and in the
same proportions as
the footing that they
become entitled thereto
as capital and that
all or any part of
such capitalised pro-
fits or reserves be
applied on behalf of
such shareholders in
paying up in full
either at par or at
such premium as the
resolution may pro-
vide, any unissued
shares or debentures
or debenture stock
of the company
which shall be
distributed accord-
ingly or in or to-
wards payment of
the uncalled liability
on any issued shares
or debentures or de-
benture stock, and
that such distribu-
tion or payment
shall be accepted by
such shareholders in
full satisfaction of
their interest in the
said capitalised pro-
fits or reserves."

"127 (b) For the purpose of
giving effect to any
resolution under the
last preceding article
the directors may
settle any difficulty
which may arise in
regard to the dis-
tribution as they
think expedient, and
in particular may
issue fractional cer-
tificates. Where re-
quisite, a proper con-
tract shall be deliv-
ered to the Registrar
for registration in
accordance with Sec-

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BY ORDER

Of the Director Of Disposals
Far Eastern Area
(M.O.S.)

1. THE BRITISH STORES DISPOSAL BOARD (HONG
KONG) is authorised to receive TENDERS for a large
quantity of GOOD SERVICEABLE:—

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Now lying at R.A.F. 393 Equipment Park,
Mataukok Road, Kowloon.

2. EXPORT PERMITS if requested within two weeks of
purchase will be obtainable by buyers.

3. DETAILED LISTS, TENDER FORMS AND CONDI-
TIONS OF SALE, ETC. for the above stores may be had
on application to The British Stores Disposal Board
(Hong Kong), Headquarters Land Forces, Victoria Bar-
racks (Entrance 50 yards west of Queen's Road Entrance
to Barracks).

4. Applicants for Tender Forms are required to deposit
\$100.00 with the Board at the time of applying for the
Tender Form. This sum may be reckoned as part of the
10% deposit required to be remitted with any Tender. (See
paragraph of Page 1 of Tender Form).

5. The \$100.00 deposits made by contractors not eventually
wishing to tender will be returnable against receipt in the
Board's offices of the original Tender Form issued.

6. Closing date for tenders:—12 Noon, Saturday, 17th May
1947.

7. The Chairman of the British Stores Disposal Board (Hong
Kong) does not bind himself to accept the highest or any
tender.

WALTER M. WEINBERGER,

Chairman,
BRITISH STORES DISPOSAL BOARD,
HONG KONG.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry
Forms for the Whitson Race
Meeting to be held on Saturday
and Monday, 24th and 26th May
1947 (Weather permitting) may
be obtained at the Secretary's
Office, Exchange Building; the
Club House, Happy Valley;
and the Stables, Shan Kwong
Road.

Entries close at 12 noon on
Thursday, 15th May 1947.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN
Secretary.

tion 44 of the Com-
panies Ordinance,
1932 and the direc-
tors may appoint any
person to sign such
contract on behalf of
the persons entitled
to the dividend or
capitalised fund, and
such appointment
shall be effective."

If the above resolution is
duly passed as a special resolu-
tion the following two resolu-
tions will be proposed as ordi-
nary resolutions respectively
viz:—

(1) That the authorised
Capital of the Company
be increased to \$20,000,000
by the creation of 3,350,000 new shares
of the nominal value of \$5
each.

(2) That it is desirable to
capitalise a sum of
HK\$6,500,000 being part
of the balance standing
at the credit of the Fixed
Assets Revaluation
Reserve of the company
and accordingly that such
sum be and is hereby
capitalised, and that such
capital sum be applied
on behalf of the persons
who on the 29th day of
May 1947 were the
holders of the 650,000
issued shares of the com-
pany in payment in full
for 1,300,000 new shares
of the nominal value of \$5
each, and that such
1,300,000 new shares
credited as fully paid be
accordingly allotted to
such persons respectively
in the proportion of two
of such new shares for
every one of the said
issued shares then held
by such persons respect-
ively, and that the
shares so allotted shall
be treated for all pur-
poses as an increase of
the nominal amount of
the capital of the com-
pany held by each such
shareholder and not as
income and further that
such new shares shall
from the 1st day of
January 1947 rank for
dividend and in all other
respects pari passu with
the already issued shares.

By Order of the Board,

W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary

Hongkong, 6th May, 1947.

NOTICE

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given
that the Fifty-eighth Ordinary
Yearly Meeting of the Company
(since registration) will be
held at the Hong Kong Hotel,
Hong Kong, on Friday, 6th
June, 1947, at 11.30 A.M., for the
purpose of receiving the Re-
port of the Directors, together
with the Statement of Accounts
for the period ended 31st Octo-
ber, 1946, and to elect Direc-
tors and appoint Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
Friday, 23rd May, 1947, to
Friday, 6th June, 1947, both
days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS
& SON,
General Managers

Hong Kong, 9th May, 1947.

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG AND YAUMATI FERRY CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that
the Eighteenth Ordinary Annual
Meeting of the Company will
be held at the Company's Office,
3rd Floor, 144-148 Des Voeux
Road, Central, Hongkong, on
Saturday the 24th May 1947 at
12.00 noon for the purpose of
receiving the Report and State-
ment of Accounts for the Year
ended 31st December 1946 and
for the period 18th September
to 31st December 1946.

Notice is also given that the
Share Register of the Company
will be closed from the 16th
May 1947 to the 24th May 1947,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

LAU TAK PO,
Managing Director.

HONGKONG, 10th May, 1947.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD

Notice is hereby given that the
Thirty-eighth Ordinary General
Meeting of the Company, will
be held at the Offices of Messrs.
Dodwell & Co., Ltd., 3rd floor,
Hongkong Bank Building, on
Wednesday, the 21st May 1947,
at 11 a.m. for the purpose of
receiving the Report and State-
ment of Accounts for the
period 1st December 1945 to
31st December 1946.

Notice is also given that the
Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from the 7th May
1947 to the 21st May 1947,
both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

General Managers.

POLICE NOTICE

A. The attention of all owners
and drivers of HAND TRUCKS
is directed to the following Re-
gulations made under Ordinance
No. 40 of 1912:—

B. 4(1) A driver's licence is
required annually in
respect of truck, cart
or van.

8(1) A licence is required
annually in respect
of trucks.

78. Every driver of a
truck, cart or van
shall be photographed
at the public expense.
One copy of the
photograph shall be
attached to the
driver's licence and
one copy shall be
retained by the Com-
missioner of Police.

Every such driver
shall permit the
Police to take his
finger prints if and
whenever required by
the Commissioner of
Police.

79. A driver shall not
drive a truck, cart or
van from the rear
unless the load is so
disposed that it in no
way obstructs his
view.

80. Except with the per-
mission in writing
of the Commissioner
of Police, a driver
shall not drive a
truck, cart or van at
a speed in excess of
four miles an hour.
In the case of the
grant of such per-
mission the speed
specified in the per-
mit shall not be
exceeded.

81. Except with the per-
mission in writing
of the Commissioner
of Police, a driver
shall not drive or place
a truck, cart or van in
any of the following
roads:

Wyndham Street,
Cochrane Street, Gra-
ham Street, south
of Stanley Street,
Peel Street, Aberdeen
Street, Hollywood
Road between Po
Yan Street and
Queen's Road West,
Eastern Street, Cen-
tre Street south of
Queen's Road West
and Western Street
south of Des Voeux
Road West.

82. Except with the per-
mission in writing
of the Commissioner
of Police, a driver shall
not drive or place a
truck, cart or van in
Ice House Street or
Queen's Road Central
between Queen Vic-
toria Street and
Murray Road be-
tween 9 a.m. and 4
p.m.

83. Except with the per-
mission in writing
of the Commissioner
of Police, a driver shall
not drive or place a
truck in any of the
following roads:

Albany Road, Aber-
deen Street above
Wellington Street,
Arbutnot Road,
Arbutnot Pathway,
Battery Path, Castle
Road, Cochrane Street,
Centre Street, south
of Queen's Road
West, D'Agular
Street, Elgin Street,
Eastern Street south
of Queen's Road,
Tung Street, Garden
Road, Graham Street,
south of Stanley
Street, Gutliff
Street, Gap Road,
Gage Street, Hill
Road, Hospital Road,
Ice House Street
south of Queen's
Road, Kennedy Road,
Lyndhurst Terrace,
Lowndes Road,
Magazine Gap Road,
Morse Street, Old
Bailey Street, Peak
Road, Peel Street,
Pokfulam Road (be-
tween Bonham Road
and Queen's Road),
Park Road, Robin-
son Road, Seymour
Road, Shelly Street,
Shing Wong Street,
Square Street, St.
Francis Yard, Stave-
ley Street, Upper
Albert Road, Wing

Fung Street, Western
Street south of Des
Voeux Road, Wynd-
ham Street, Wellin-
gton Street, Sai Street
and Zetland Street

84. Except as in this re-
gulation provided, for
every permit granted
under regulation 81
or 83 the fee of
\$10.00 for the year,
or part of the year,
ending on the 31st
December, during
which such permit
is in force, shall be
payable by the
holder: Provided
that the fee for a
special and tem-
porary permit for a
period not exceeding
one month shall be
\$1.00 only.

154. A truck, cart or van
or horse or bullock
drawn vehicle shall
be provided with an
efficient brake in
good working order.
Any Police officer
may at any time
examine the brake of
such vehicle and if
in his opinion the
brake is not efficient
he may cause the
vehicle to be taken
to and detained at a
Police Station.

155. The width of the
face of the tyre of a
truck, cart or van or
horse or bullock
drawn vehicle shall
not be less than three
inches and the
diameter of the wheel
shall be not less than
fifteen inches. The
Commissioner of
Police may in his
discretion prescribe a
greater width of
tyre or diameter of
wheel, if the weight
of the vehicle or of
the load which it is
designed to carry
renders it in his
opinion expedient to
do so.

156. An applicant for a
truck licence shall as
a condition of the
issue of such licence
enter into a bond in
the sum of \$50.00
with one surety to
the satisfaction of
the Commissioner of
Police to ensure the
attendance before the
Commissioner of
Police of the licensee
or the driver of the
truck, whenever re-
quired, and the pay-
ment of fines, com-
pensation or damages
imposed, awarded or
recovered on, against
or from the licensee
or the driver of the
truck.

157. Except with the per-
mission in writing
of the Commissioner
of Police and subject
to such conditions as
he may see fit to im-
pose, a licensee of a
truck shall not trans-
fer his licence.

158. Except with the per-
mission in writing
of the Commissioner
of Police, a truck shall
not exceed six feet
six inches in width
between its extreme
projecting points nor
fourteen feet in total
length, nor shall the
load placed upon the
truck exceed five feet
in width or ten feet
in length, nor shall
a truck be driven
which with the load,
if any, exceeds one
ton in weight. Such
permits may be
granted for any
particular occasion
or for any period not
exceeding twelve
months.

Owners of these vehicles are
informed that a licence will
only be granted in special cases
provided the above Regulations
are fully complied with and that
the licensing fee of \$48.00 per
annum is paid.

D. As from 1st June, 1947,
all owners and drivers of un-
licensed hand trucks found
operating on the roads of the
Colony will be prosecuted by
the Police Authorities.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Hong Kong, 29th March, 1947.

TRUTH OF THE HESS FLIGHT

Washington, May 10.

Rudolf Hess, Hitler's deputy, offered to guarantee
Britain's Empire possessions in return for un-
contested German control of conquered
Europe, it was disclosed today in a published
transcript of a conversation between Hess and
the Duke of Hamilton after the former's his-
toric flight to Britain.

Details of the conversation of six years ago are
outlined in the final volume of an eight volume
series on Nazi aggression published by the
War Department and released tonight.

"Germany has no designs on
America," Hess said. "The so-
called German peril is a ludicrous
element of the imagination. Hit-
ler's interests are European."

Hess said that if Britain made
peace then America would be
inheritor of the British Empire.
Hess proposed that Britain
should have a free hand in the
Empire with the sole reservation
that she should return Germany's
former colonies.

The Duke of Hamilton said
that in talks about Germany's
peace proposals he had Hess into
a discussion of Ireland's position.
Hess replied that in all his
talks with Hitler, the subject of
Ireland had never been mentioned
except incidentally. "Ireland has
done nothing for Germany in
this war and it is therefore to
be supposed that Hitler would not
concern himself in Anglo-Irish
relations," Hess said.

Flight Over London

The volume also disclosed that
in their preparations for the
European war, the Nazis had
made secret surveys of London
long before hostilities.
A special Luftwaffe squadron
flew a high altitude reconnais-
sance mission over London in
early 1939 or "possibly in 1938,"
an affidavit said.
This final volume of the series
on Nazi aggression elaborated on
the details already brought out in
the trial of Nazi war criminals
at Nuremberg and in previous
official disclosures.—Reuter.

Iran In For Another Revolt?

Teheran, May 11.

A reliable informant quoted
a leader of the remnants of the
separatist Azerbaijan militia as
saying today they planned to
start a campaign in the north
against the Iranian govern-
ment this summer "exactly as
the partisans now are fighting
in Greece."

The informant, an Iranian
who returned from a three
months tour in northern Iran,
said about 15,000 Azerbaijan-
ians were organising in the
mountains with support from
across the Soviet border, and
quoted them as saying they ex-
pected to strike "any day
now."

He said their overall direc-
tion was from officers who fled
to Russia when the Pishavari
government collapsed last De-
cember with the occupation of
the province by regular Iranian
troops.—Associated Press.

New County Boundaries

London, May 10.

Transfer of Thames islands
from Buckinghamshire to
Berkshire and from Berkshire
to Buckinghamshire to align
the county boundaries is to be
opposed by the Buckingham-
shire Council.

They have agreed, however,
to transfer two small areas
near Egham to Surrey.
Negotiations are also pro-
ceeding regarding proposed
boundary adjustments between
Buckinghamshire and Hert-
fordshire and between Buck-
inghamshire and Bedfordshire.
—Reuter.

Windsors Sail For Home

New York, May 11.

The Duke and Duchess of
Windsor sailed on Saturday in
the Queen Elizabeth for a com-
bined business and holiday trip
to England and the South of
France.

A crowd of several hundred
cheered the couple as they walk-
ed up the gangplank.
The Duke said they would
stay in England for about a
fortnight on private business
before going to France. He
said they hoped to return to
the United States next autumn.
—Associated Press.

EROS COMING BACK

London, May 10.

The London County Coun-
cil's Town Planning Commis-
sioner, replying to criticism from
all quarters, announced that
the famed silvered statue of
Eros, God of Love, will be
returned to its pedestal in
Piccadilly Circus by the end
of June.

The landmark was removed
seven and a half years ago to
protect it from enemy bombs.
—United Press.

Buyers To Go To Germany

Berlin, May 10.

Three hundred foreign ex-
port buyers per month will be
allowed into the combined Brit-
ish-American zone of Ger-
many in a move designed to
speed up the economic recovery
of this impoverished nation.
The new quota system goes
into effect at once. Forty un-
ions were listed as getting the
quotas.

The announcement said pro-
spective buyers would be per-
mitted to remain in Germany
14 days. Each must come
equipped with dollars or pounds
sterling to pay his own way.
The money will be converted
into military payment cer-
tificates of the American or Brit-
ish zones. All costs such as
food, transportation and lodg-
ing must be paid for. Armies
will provide facilities.

Prospective buyers seeking
admission to Germany were
told to contact their ministries
dealing with foreign trade.

Entry permit offices and na-
tions invited to send buyers
through them were London—
United Kingdom, colonies and
dominions; Washington—Unit-
ed States and Mexico; Paris
—France; Brussels—Belgium
and Luxembourg; Stockholm—
Sweden and Finland; Oslo—
Norway; Copenhagen—Den-
mark; Bern—Switzerland;
Warsaw—Poland; Vienna—
Austria; Prague—Czechoslo-
vakia; Rome—Italy, Greece,
Turkey and Egypt; Budapest
—Hungary, Rumania, Bul-
garia; Belgrade—Yugoslavia—
United Press.

Russians Mining Uranium?

Prague, May 11.

The best information leaking
through the sealed frontier to-
day between northern Bohemia
and the Soviet occupied zone
of German Saxony indicated
strongly that the Russians are
intensively mining a northern
spur of the famous Joachimsthal
uranium ore deposit.

Long time residents of
Karlsbad say the extent of min-
ing activity reported would sug-
gest that the newly found de-
posits just north of the border
might even be larger than the
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GOVERNMENT VICTORIES IN CENTRAL SHANTUNG

Nanking, May 11.
The Government forces, giving no respite to the Communists in Central Shantung, have captured five strategic points outside Ishui and Chuhshien — Tanfow, Hsiachuang, Chiehhu, Yishan and Chiusai.
Ishui and Chuhshien, 55 and 45 miles north of Linyi and the two remaining strongest Red bases in Central Shantung, are now within range of Nationalist artillery and expected to fall at any moment.

Gen Wang Chihang-chiu's troops who routed the main Communist force in Linyi which a Ministry of National Defence spokesman described as one of the most crushing Nationalist victories in the civil war are pursuing the Reds. At the same time, Gen. Wang's Nationalists are hammering at Lungshan and Minghui in an effort to cut off the Communist retreat route.

In Western Shantung, the Nationalist forces, following up recent successes have smashed into Tunia, 57 miles south-west of Tsinan.

Cracking Up?

Nationalist military quarters, attaching great significance to the Central Shantung victory, express the belief that the cracking-up of the main Communist force might shorten the war in Shantung, with a decisive effect on the entire civil war.

The "Hain Min Pao" reports that Gen. Yeh Chien-ying, former Communist commissioner at Executive Headquarters, commanded the Communist New Fourth Army in Shantung.

Meanwhile, the Communists in Shansi continue their attacks on the outer perimeter of Taiyuan, capturing Hsiangling, 50 miles south-west of Taiyuan. The Government forces inside the Taiyuan pocket are attempting to strengthen the defence of the south-eastern perimeter, where the Reds are nearest the city. A Government column is said to have entered the Taiyuan district, 25 miles from Taiyuan.—United Press.

How To Be A Model And Control 'Em!

New York, May 11.
Blonde Selene Mahri, Manhattan's top model, today advised the lesser girls in her trade on how to make men behave. It's simple: charge them \$40 an hour.
"At that price, your time is too valuable," Selene said. "No matter who they are, or how rich, they'll keep their minds on their work."
The advice apparently is needed because several models recently have complained in public print about certain persons who wanted to take their photos with a \$5 camera in a \$500 apartment, complete with etchings.

"It's very seldom that you come across that type," Selene said, "but, to me, they are easy enough to handle."
Selene (she's 22, and came to the U.S. from Finland seven years ago) and another model, called Lisa, are the only two in Manhattan who demand and get \$40 for 60 minutes work.

The average model starts at \$10 an hour, jumps to \$15, but rarely reaches \$25.
"I never particularly planned to hit \$40," Selene said, in a voice that closely resembles Greta Garbo's. "I kept raising my price to keep from working—and people kept meeting it."

Personal Blacklist

"I average \$40 week. I could earn much more, but I turn many down. I am very outspoken and make many enemies. I work only for photographers I like. My personal blacklist is a mile long."
Selene must have a respect for the photographer, and appreciation and understanding of

Communist Victory Claims

Nanking, May 11.
A Communist radio broadcast heard here today claimed two important Eighth Route Army victories in Shensi.

First, the broadcast stated, Yachien has been retaken. This town lies only 50 miles by road north of the important Government base of Sian and its fall can signify the cutting of the Government's supply lines to Yenan.

In addition, the Communists claim the recapture of Sultoh, 100 miles northeast of Yenan. Sultoh was only recently wrested from the Communists after weeks of bitter fighting.

Meanwhile, according to Chinese reports reaching Nanking, General Chu Teh and Mao Tse-tung, leaders of the Communist Party, are personally conducting operations against the Government in north Shansi.

They are supervising the Communist offensive, which has as its objective the capture of Taiyuan, capital of Shansi, Chinese reports claim.—Reuter.

US Marines Pull Out Of Peiping

Peiping, May 11.
Five hundred U.S. Marines entrained without ceremony and almost unnoticed for Chinwangtao over the railroad they had been assigned to protect during the post-war months of Japanese repatriation and more than a year of fruitless American peace mediation.

Within a few days a similar trainload will complete evacuation of the Fifth Regiment, First Division, together with its colorful commander, Colonel Julian N. Friable.

Movement of the Fifth to Chinwangtao, loading point for the voyage to Guam, marks the first major withdrawal of Marines from China as a unit. Others are expected to follow from Tientsin shortly.

Buglers' final sounding of his work, or she refuses to pose at any price.

She appears in all the swank women's magazines, and you've probably seen her. She's five feet, 10 inches, and weighs 120 pounds. Her hair is so blonde it's almost white. She wears it long with a near-page boy cut. "Tell them that my hands and feet are very large," she said. "In fact, I am pretty coray looking."

But a press agent for one of the biggest model agencies in the business said: "As far as photography goes, Mahri has the perfect face."

Selene never goes to work before noon. She spends her mornings in the country, on Long Island, where she raises "french poodles."

"Modeling is not like being an actress," she said. "You can do it so long, but no longer." "When you're old, you're finished." But Selene thinks she'll be around—at that same \$40 an hour—for quite a few years longer.

TAX EXEMPTION

Nanking, May 11.
It was reliably learned today that the Executive Yuan has decided to exempt areas recovered from Communists from direct taxes for one year.
The Executive Yuan will designate the exemption areas later.—United Press.

Long Push Abandoned

Shanghai, May 10.
Education Ministry officials, backed by a strong police force, today succeeded in persuading Yingsze University students to abandon a coach they were pushing along the Shanghai-Hangchow railway.

The students returned to Hangchow where negotiations are still going on regarding the original demand for increase of appropriations for the Yingsze University. Shanghai-Hangchow railway traffic is expected to be resumed shortly.—United Press, Reuter.

Soviet Proposals For Korea

Moscow, May 10.
The Communist paper "Pravda" today published M. Molotov's reply to the United States note on Korea, in which the Soviet Foreign Commissar accepts the United States "corrections" to Russia's proposed conditions for consultations with the Korean Democratic organizations over the establishment of a provisional Government.

M. Molotov suggested that the American proposed economic aid to Korea should first

British Aid To China

Nanking, May 11.
Great Britain, in order to aid China in the reconstruction of her main railway lines, will supply this country with over 40,000 tons of railway equipment, the "Ta Kan Pao," a pro-Kuomintang paper (not to be confused with the independent "Ta Kung Pao"), reported today.

The British Embassy here were unable to confirm the report however, and stated that they had no information on the subject whatsoever.

The report claims that the material to be given to China will consist chiefly of equipment for bridge, construction and repairs and have an estimated value of \$2,000,000.—Reuter.

Nanking, May 11.
Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has fixed May 13 as the date to receive the Goodwill Mission from Nepal, headed by General Krishna Shumhere. On behalf of Nepal, General Shumhere will present a medal to China's President.—Reuter.

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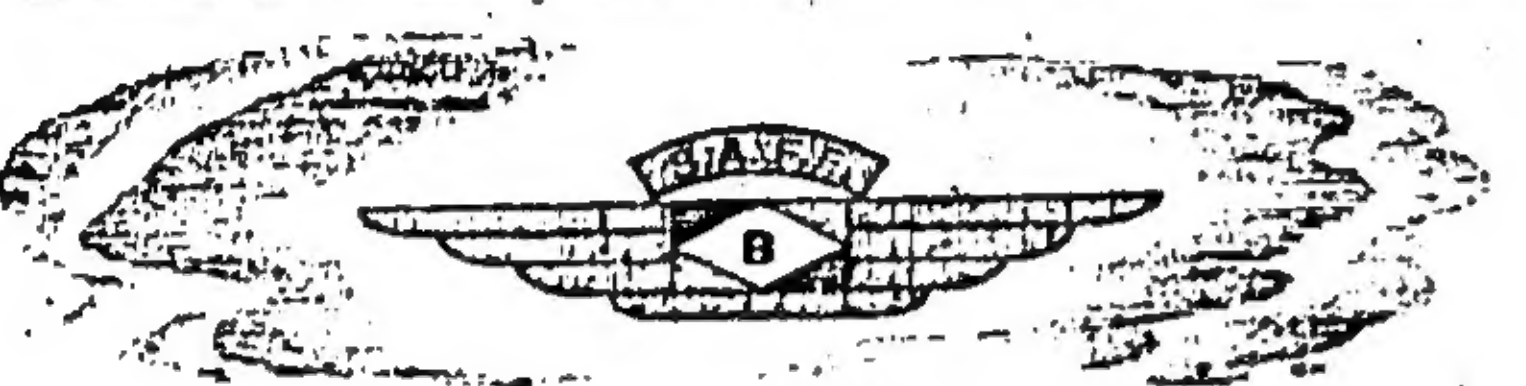
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BURMA'S CHOICE

Not without certain misgivings, the House of Commons has unanimously endorsed the proposal to extend the period of the present form of rule in Burma. Until the Constituent Assembly, which has just been elected, has met and decided the future basis of government of the Burmese peoples it is necessary that the present regime should continue. The resolution in itself was a formality, but provided an occasion for a review of the present situation in Burma and of the future outlook. In regard to neither can there be any easiness of mind. Actually Burma is already self-governing. The party of U Aung San, leader of the Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League, has triumphed in the elections, and its members are in the majority in the Executive Council. But dacoity by armed robber bands is rife, and over large areas of the land the writ of the Government does not run. Economically Burma is in sad plight, with its major industries destroyed by the war, its communications and transport in disorder, and a deficit in the Budget of the past year larger than the total revenues raised in the years before the war.

Since the issue of the right to independence has been settled, discussion has turned in large measure upon future financial and trade relations. Already Great Britain is committed to make good, in interest-free loans, the deficit of £14,500,000 on the Budget and an additional £8,000,000 spent in plans for rehabilitation. These amounts may become outright grants. There is also the necessity of making good the capital assets, largely British and Indian, destroyed in the "scorched earth" policy when the country was abandoned to the Japanese. If Burma is to have the financial autonomy she has been promised there is ample room for the anxiety expressed as to the extent of the British liability and who is to control the expenditure. A fantastic situation would be created if Burma, rebuilt by British capital, were to declare for complete severance of the British tie. Yet without such financial aid there would be no prospect of any ordered government becoming established. The situation compels a certain measure of risk.

On the ground of material interest alone, it would be to Burma's advantage to remain within the British Commonwealth. The bulk of her trade is done with India and Great Britain, and she must for long remain dependent on outside aid for the development of her resources and for her defence. She has also many internal political problems, such as the autonomy of the tribal areas, the desire of the Karens for independence and the rise of Communism. The sedulous cultivation of a violent nationalism by the parties now in power may nevertheless lead to a declaration, as in the case of India, that she shall henceforth be a "sovereign independent republic." The British Government is abandoning such power as it still retained. Nothing but success in the form of a peaceful, prosperous and well-governed Burma, can justify the vast experiment we are making. Britain is expressing confidence that Burma is ripe for independence. It is for the leaders of the Burmese people to justify that belief.

HENRY A. WALLACE IN
A B.B.C. BROADCAST ASKS

WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH ATOMIC ENERGY?

The atomic bomb that fell on Hiroshima was not only an unparalleled instrument of physical destruction; it shattered whatever remained of blind devotion to scientific materialism. For our era, it marked a new crisis in the age-old warfare between science and theology.

In the purely intellectual sense, the great scientific advances of this century have contributed to undermining the royal authority of science. By their works, scientists have augmented their own scepticism of science. From the 19th century, we inherited a superb engine of science, resting on massive foundations, ordered eternally by a system of natural laws expounded by Galileo, Kepler, Newton and Laplace. So pictured, the universe worked like a beautiful machine and while men did not doubt that greater beauties and greater intricacies remained to be revealed, they were certain that no new feature would disturb their tide, comfortable and well-ordered concept.

Today that concept is gone. The picture of the orderly universe has been smashed beyond repair. The theories of Einstein and Bohr, the works of Thomson, Rutherford, Curie, Becquerel, to mention only a few, have achieved what one might call a great constructive work of destruction—destruction of an outmoded model of the physical world.

All In Pieces

More today than ever before we know. All is statistics, probabilities, uncertainties. Like the ghost of Hamlet's father, the ultimate particles of matter are here, there, everywhere and nowhere. The world, in John Donne's words is, "all in pieces, all coherence gone, all just supply and all Relation." When scientists start tinkering, as I am told they have, even with the foundation of logic and mathematics, pity the poor layman. What is he to think if his arithmetic becomes a matter of taste instead of fact?

Mostly, I grant, these are high matters for the seminar, the study and the learned journals. Regardless of the ferment in the more abstruse parts of science the average man can still drive his car, turn on his wireless or snap the light switch without uneasiness and without doubt. But the layman has his own disillusionment, a deep and painful mistrust and disappointment in the beneficence of science. Everywhere, too there appears to be bitter and inconceivable evidence of what science cannot accomplish. There has been forced upon him the realization that for all the progress in invention and discovery, for all the advances in the mechanical arts, science has solved none of the fundamental problems of man—neither peace, nor wealth, nor happiness; least of all has it brought security.

New Challenge

The final proof was Hiroshima; The bitter paradox of science was never so well-exposed.

100 Years Ago Today

(Excerpts from The China Mail, May 12, 1847.)
On being told that Chief Justice Hulme had been reinstated, Sir John Davis rubbed his hand exclaiming: "Glorious news; I'm delighted to hear it."
The arch hypocrite!

The government grain junks are still detained in the vicinity of Shanghai, afraid to put to sea lest they be captured by pirates. The junkmen want the protection of European vessels as they place no reliance whatever in their own war vessels.

It was reported that the "Dart," "Corsair" and "Masdan" were tendered; the "Authorities," however, were apprehensive of an enquiry from Pekin, as the firing of a foreign convoy would be an acknowledgment that their own Navy was not fit to cope with pirates.

LAUNCH.—There was launched on Thursday from the building yard of Messrs Tod and McGregor, Meadowside, Patrick, a beautiful iron steamer for the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, called the "Canton." She is intended to sail between Canton and Hong Kong and is to be fitted with everything suitable for the climate and station, including a 24-pound "swivel."

plified as in the evil use to which man put the power of the universe immediately it was placed in his hands.

"Now at last I hope men everywhere understand what philosophers have told them for centuries: The earth is rich beyond description; in science you have an instrument of unexampled power for turning these riches to your advantage; you can build, you can heal, you can vanquish drudgery, you can root out superstition. All this you can do, if you use science for good, but if you use it for evil it will destroy you with implacable certainty."

For Britain the instrument of science, and in particular, the release of atomic energy, offers a new challenge and new horizons.

It is peculiarly appropriate that this new advance should offer high reward to your country. For not only in the winning of atomic energy but in the march of science and technology since the Renaissance Britain has been in the vanguard. Among the men of science whom Britain gave to the world are such giants as Harvey, Newton, Faraday, Darwin, Huxley, Dey Maxwell, Lister and Kelvin. The work of each enlarged our knowledge of the universe and changed the world. Of them we may say they moulded the shape of all we call civilization.

World Citizen

Britain truly pioneered modern industry more than any other land with the inventions of Hargrave, Crompton, and Cartwright in textiles, and Bessemer and Siemens in steel. For a century Britain dominated the world's markets and this created the wealth and knowledge which stimulated scientific discoveries in many directions.

Wheatstone's electro-magnetic telegraph was a path-breaking invention; and from Faraday's experiments in induction arose the vast electrical industry of our time. Between pure science and technology there was achieved early here in Britain a most fruitful and lasting union.

Science is a citizen of the world, a citizen who recognizes no borders and has nothing but contempt for narrow nationalism. That is not to belittle British or French or American or Danish contributions. Among scientists there is a world community far ahead of our desperate striving for its political, social, and economic counterpart.

In the problems of atomic energy one may recognise a peculiarly apt illustration, an epitome of the problems, the difficulties, the crucial alternatives which confront mankind.

Heart Of Man

All that atomic energy means to me lies on the constructive side. To be sure, I know there are such things as atomic bombs. As Vice-President I served as a member of the U.S. Top Policy group, to which President Roosevelt had delegated the responsibility for all high policy decisions on the development of the atomic bomb project. From the beginning I felt certain that the scientists would discover the secret of atomic energy and that we in the United States, in co-operation with the British, should spare no effort to make the discovery before Hitler. But I do not believe the future depends on bombs. Whether you have them, or don't have them, how many or how few has nothing whatever to do with your salvation or ours.

The future, as Henry Stimson so well said, lies in the heart of man, not in the heart of the atom.

In carrying the heavy economic burdens which beset the British people today, the fruitful, peaceful development of atomic power may determine the difference between an abundant economy on one hand, and a pinched economy on the other.

The enormous concentration of potential energy in small quantities of pure uranium or plutonium make the ordinary yardsticks of economics unapplicable to what happened to Allee when she drank from one of the magic bottles in Wonderland. To give an example, one pound of uranium, when fissioned, generates heat equal to that of 6,000 barrels of oil; 10,000 tons of uranium, which undoubtedly can be obtained in the equivalent of 120 million

barrels of oil or about six times the proved oil reserves of the entire United States.

Master Keys

For some time to come the impact of atomic power on the American economy will not be great. But consider, as an eminent physicist has pointed out, what several plants with a capacity of a million kilowatts each could mean to Britain now caught between the hammer of rising needs for power and the anvil of lower coal production. All of Britain's electric-power needs could be met by the burning of about twenty pounds of nuclear fuel a day. While the labour cost of coal in the United States is less than 10/- per ton, here it is nearly £1.50. It is altogether clear that if the technical problem of utilizing atomic power is attacked with the scientific brilliance that Britain has so often and so amply demonstrated, if the economic problem is met with the vigor, the courage and the imagination your government has shown in so many domestic issues, the possibilities of almost unlimited power at low cost, are neither uncertain nor remote.

I have mentioned power as the most striking illustration of what science in general, and atomic energy in particular, offers for our choice. But there is, as you know, in the harnessed energy of the atom, a veritable kingdom of other resources, of weapons against disease and old age, of master keys to unlock the basis of life on our own planet. Perhaps we shall learn of beings on other planets—beings, I hope, who have learned better than we how to use the resources they have and how to live together.

But whatever science has yet to offer of marvels to outmarvel the present, of comforts, of new insights, of today must recognize that there may be no tomorrow unless the freedom of man and the peace of the world are preserved. Freedom is essential to science. No more can man exist without it. For science to come to full flower the world needs peace. No more can man reap its benefits unless he learns to live in peace. Ours is the choice and ours is the future.

U.S. WARSHIPS IN ALEX

Alexandria, May 11.

American naval guns exchanged 15-volley salutes with shore batteries here as a squadron of United States warships, including the aircraft carrier Leyte, the cruiser Dayton and the destroyers Compton and Gannard, dropped anchor off Alexandria. Associated Press.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authorities"

MUST PAY ATTENTION

If you are too lazy to notice the little things, you will never be a great player. That applies to other the offense or defense. Unspectacular details, such as the spot cards played on high card tricks, can unfold the key to successful play the rest of the way. Discards by one member of the defense, to send messages to his partner, are especially important. What the other defender does is influenced by them—or should be—and from the declarer's standpoint they constitute warnings regarding how he should try to protect himself. That is, if he can.

S Q 9 6
H K 9 7 6 4
D Q 8
C 9 8 2
S J 10 5
H Q 8
D A J 9 6
C J 6 4
S K 7 4
H A
D K 7 8
C A Q 10 7 5 3

(Dealer: South. Neither side vulnerable.)
South West North East
1 C 1 D 1 H Pass
2 C Pass 2 H Pass
3 NT

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Now here we have an ideal house for the man who likes to tinker around!"

The Mystery Of Russian Policy

The British and American Governments present a solid front to the Soviet Union on the major world issues, but their leaders are sharply divided over what motivates the Russian policy.

British officials, privately, take the line that the Soviet Government is still deeply concerned about its future security and that many of its activities in Eastern Europe arise from that concern.

They say Russian foreign policy is not so much aggressive and expansionist as it is defensive. The Russian leaders are believed, by these officials, to be worried about the future trend of the American policy toward the Soviet Union.

Some top British informants also suggest that economic conditions in Russia may be strongly influencing the Soviet activities beyond her borders. The Russians boast about full employment for their people, but the British say they believe the chief reason why so many Soviet troops are still spread over Eastern Europe is that there would be no jobs for them if they were returned home and demobilized. As jobs become available, the British predict it will be easier to make arrangements with the Soviet Union for the withdrawal of troops.

This line of reasoning is at variance with that of American officials, as it has been developed particularly with respect to Greece and Turkey.

American leaders are on record with statements that the Soviet Union is following an aggressive and an expansionist policy.

If the Soviet leaders actually are afraid of the possibility of war at some future time, this fear may be the cause of their efforts to get their military alliance with Britain expanded. Presumably, what they must want is a clause, designed to keep Britain at least neutral.

That would be a long range objective, however, and American officials are more inclined to look at the Anglo-Soviet negotiations as an effort by the Kremlin simply to tighten its present links with Britain and to lure British sympathy away from their close co-operation with the United States.

The Russians, constantly, are telling themselves that Western Imperialism, and monopoly capitalists are out to make trouble for them and that their great problem is how to maintain themselves effectively in the world filled with capitalist aggression.

One further possibility which is kept in the forefront of the Soviet press as a surefire thing—that sooner or later there will be a breakdown in the capitalist system.

News of economic trouble in the United States always finds space in Moscow papers, and periodically lengthy articles are published to the effect that the capitalists are making more and more profits through increasing exploitation of labour.

One who reads the Soviet press regularly and exclusively cannot escape the impression that workers' wages and living conditions in America are going from bad to worse and that eventually there will an economic crack-up.

American officials responsible for helping to form the policy toward Russia contend that much of the Soviet thinking about the outside world is based on "myths" hammered home to the people of the Soviet Union over many years.

Here are the principal "myths" according to these officials:

1. The Soviet system and its protagonists abroad enjoy some sort of monopoly on social and progress thought.
2. Reactionary Imperialists dominate the Western powers whose masses are being exploited and downtrodden.
3. The West is trying to form a military bloc which would control the atomic bomb and might someday seek to conquer Soviet Union.
4. The Western capitalists are employing their financial resources to dominate the world through commercial imperialism.
5. Economic collapse in the capitalist countries particularly in the United States is inevitable.
The international conference in which Russia and the western powers participate have long been noted for language difficulties—the simple problem of translating words back and forth from English to Russian, or French. But the more serious problem which diplomats emphasize is that over the same words when properly translated do not mean the same thing to the Russians.

GIANT NEW AMERICAN PLANE Like A Dream Of Jules Verne Monster Aircraft Nearly Ready

Tightening Up On Passports

London, May 10. Two or three British experts on "illegal immigration" will leave for Paris during the weekend for conferences with French experts starting on Monday.

The conference is the result of an exchange of notes between the Foreign Office and the Quai d'Orsay on illegal immigration into Palestine insofar as immigrants might use France as their base of operations. The French raised several technical problems to be elucidated at the conference.

A Foreign Office spokesman said no announcement on the contents of the Anglo-French discussions was likely to be made, as the success of measures to prevent illegal immigration could only be assured by secrecy of the discussions.

It is believed, however, that possibilities of tightening up passport and visa control, and stricter checking on ships leaving French ports, will be high up on the agenda. A closer watch on displaced persons infiltrating into France from Germany might be another topic for discussion. — United Press.

WORLD TIMBER SHORTAGE

Prague, May 10. A resolution calling the attention of international organizations to the urgency of the world timber shortage was adopted at the International Timber Conference meeting at Mariánské Lázně, east of Prague, which ended today.

The conference recommended that the United Nations Economic and Social Council, the International Bank Economic Committee for Europe, and other international organizations utilize the assistance of the food and agricultural organization to consider problems such as finance, availability of labour and transportation connected with the timber scarcity. — Reuter.

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San Francisco, May 11. The U.S. Navy's Air Arm is preparing to unveil two of the most fabulous aeronautical projects in history—the unbelievable Hughes-Kaiser 8-engined seaplane and the blood red Douglas Superjet, called the Skystreak.

The Hughes-Kaiser plane, which can hardly be described, is dry-docked at Wilmington, California, undergoing certain instrument tests and control wiggling. The Skystreak is at Muroc, over the mountain from Los Angeles.

Even after you see the Hughes-Kaiser plane, you don't believe it. That it will be able to lift itself off the water and into the sky seems as preposterous as the prospect of the Empire State Building taking flight.

If it were possible to get the Hughes-Kaiser plane into a football stadium the wing would reach from one end of the gridiron to the other and extend 10 feet into the end zones.

Work on this plywood monster began in 1942 when it appeared that German U-boats might be able to sink cargo ships faster than even Henry Kaiser could build them. The possibility that we might be forced to carry heavy freight by air led to the original appropriation, and the ship was designed to carry 75 tons.

28,000 Horsepower
Its eight engines—Pratt and Whitney majors—develop a total of 28,000 horsepower and swing four-bladed props as tall as a two-story building. There is little likelihood that it will be able to attain a speed of greater than 150 m.p.h.

As it stands today, the Hughes-Kaiser plane has cost \$28,000,000—\$3,000,000 more than the 827,192 square miles of priceless territory received from France in the Louisiana purchase. It cost more than one-third as much as the revolutionary war, and, aeronautically, is as obsolete as the tactics of that War of Independence.

The diminutive but enormously powerful Skystreak

I.R.A. BOMB-MAN ESCAPES

London, May 10. Scotland Yard officials disclosed for the first time today that Richard Timina, alias Michael O'Farrell, convicted IRA bomb terrorist, escaped five weeks ago from the "model" prison at Tutworth, Gloucester.

Twenty-nine-year-old Timina was sentenced in 1939 under the name of Richard Cohen to 14 years imprisonment for possessing explosives and materials for the manufacture of bombs for the IRA. He has not yet been apprehended. — United Press.

Robeson To "Fight Fascism"

Albany, N.Y., May 10. The famous negro baritone, Paul Robeson, last night made his last professional appearance for the next two years and said before singing that he would devote this period to fight against Fascism as a lecturer and singer.

His recital in a school hall was made possible by a court ruling after the school board had unsuccessfully tried to prevent it. The board took the action following a report by the House of Representatives Committee on Un-American Activities which alleged that Robeson was connected with an organization which usually followed the Communist party line.

There were no incidents at the recital, and Robeson received a two-minute ovation when he appeared on the stage. In an interview, the singer said, "I have had 65 concerts and thank goodness this is the last. In the next two years I will be able to be in Albany or any other city as a lecturer or singer as I please." — Reuter.

New York, May 10. Queen Mother Nazif of Egypt, mother of King Farouk, arrived by air in Boston, Massachusetts, today, and will travel to New York by train tomorrow. — Reuter.

Bevin On Democracy

London, May 10. The Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, said today that Berlin was a "great giant skeleton."

Speaking of his recent trip from Warsaw through Berlin, Mr. Bevin said, "You don't feel so much the elation of victory but you feel the tragic consequences of the stupidity of the people who had caused it and you felt imbued with the desire to try to utilize all that is left and all that is best in mankind to try not merely to repair the damage and to put them on the right road but also to prevent it from ever occurring again."

Addressing the "Living in Wandsworth Exhibition," Mr. Bevin said, "The foundation of democracy, its continuity and permanency depends entirely upon the interest the citizens take in local government. These other great problems are important but the foundation and maintenance of our democratic lives, the maintenance of our freedom and the preservation of our citizenship depends on local government. It is vital to the well being of the community." — United Press.

Paid 5 Years After

Minneapolis, May 10. The Treasurer of the University of Minnesota Press has just received payment for a book sent to India five and a half years ago. The book was ordered by Dr. D. Daniel, of Trichinopoly, and was sent to him in December 1941. As a result of the Pacific war nothing was heard from Dr. Daniel until a day or two ago when a letter dated March 1947 and containing payment was received.

With it was a note saying that "owing to war conditions we were not able to send the remittance."

The Treasurer said he thought the people of Trichinopoly must be "extremely honest." — Reuter.

CARDINAL TO BROADCAST

London, May 10. Cardinal Griffin, Archbishop of Westminster, will broadcast tomorrow on the Vatican Radio at 8.15 a.m. double British summer time. The Vatican Radio said today. — Reuter.

Another Clash Ahead In U.N.O.

Lake Success, May 11. The United Nations Security Council faced a Russian-backed Slav revolt today against maintaining an international watch on the Balkan troubled frontier areas.

Coinciding with the House approval of President Harry Truman's \$400,000,000 Greek-Turkish aid programme to help those countries ward off Communism, the revolt was expected to precipitate a heated clash between Russia and the Western powers.

The clash probably will come on Monday when the Security Council convenes to reopen Greek charges of "outside" guerrilla activities against Greece's frontier.

Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko asked for the Council meeting. He said the request was made because of the decision of the Council and its Balkan investigators to keep a subsidiary inquiry board in the area to maintain a watch on border flareups. This move came as Yugoslavia, Albania and Bulgaria announced they would refuse to cooperate with the interim inquiry group and would oppose any inquiry across their frontiers.

The three Balkan countries acknowledged they had promised to help the full commission, which at present is in Geneva, but argued that their commitment did not cover the sub-commission of investigators.

The sub-commission was instructed by the Council to remain on the smouldering Balkan scene until the 11-nation Security body takes action on the commission's forthcoming report on the facts behind the Greek border incidents. — Associated Press.

DANISH PROTEST TO BRITAIN?

Copenhagen, May 10. The "Kobenhavn" newspaper said here today that the Danish Government was considering a protest to the British military authorities against their decision to prohibit the establishment of new Danish schools in south Schleswig, Germany. The schools were designed to take 2,000 Danish children of the German minority in the province known as "Danish Germany" schools. — Reuter.

Britons Wage War On Test-Tube Babies

London, May 11. Conservative M.P. Hendy Willink, K.C., warned Britain this week that children born by artificial insemination were illegitimate. There was a danger that donors might be subjected to blackmail or called upon for maintenance if their identity became known, he said.

Public opinion throughout the country is being mobilised against artificial insemination of childless women.

Soon the Public Morality Council will publish the views of doctors, psychiatrists, lawyers, and church leaders expressed at a secret London conference.

Brisbane's former Archbishop Dr. Wand, now Bishop of London and the Council's President, said that the report of the conference would enable the public to "form a balanced judgment of its own."

An advance copy of the report showed that many wives were opposed to artificial insemination.

Said Birmingham's medical officer of health, Dr. H. F. News-ome: "The legal aspects are disquieting. It cannot be justified under any circumstances."

Roman Catholic, The Rev. J. C. Heenan: "Catholic instinct is strong and constant in condemnation."

For the free churches, Dr. T. G. Dunning: "Artificial insemination involves so much which is questionable and incalculable that it should definitely be discouraged."

Claudine Warns The Boys

Hastings, May 10. Boys were warned here today by Hastings' newly crowned May Queen, 14-year-old Claudine Burton, not to rob birds' nests, in her first edict. The "Queen" pointed out that Britain's bird population had been seriously depleted during the harsh winter and said that no boy should interfere with the nests or take eggs, so that the number of birds could increase.

Thousands of visitors watched the Mayor, Mr. F. W. Chambers, place a crown of flowers on the young girl's golden head during the "crowning" ceremony. — Reuter.

Madagascar Attack

Antananarive, May 10. A large force of Madagascans today attacked the coastal town of Mananjary, roughly 200 miles southeast of Antananarive, and set fire to a greater part of the upper town. The attack came in two waves, one shortly after midnight and one just before dawn. The attackers were beaten off with heavy losses by the French garrison, which suffered only three casualties.

The prison of Mananjary was the principal objective of the attack. Intensive patrol activity was reported throughout the coastal region. — Reuter.

Dissolved

Paris, May 11. The French Cabinet today decreed the dissolution of the Malgache movement which was blamed for the Madagascar revolt. — Associated Press.

FORGED LOTTERY TICKETS

Rio de Janeiro, May 10. A Swedish subject, Otto Munther, was taken into custody here at the request of the Swedish authorities and was put aboard a Scandinavian airline plane for Stockholm.

His return was requested in connection with a lottery tickets case in which sums totalling 15,000 crowns are alleged to have been collected from forged tickets.

The plane is due to arrive in Stockholm on Monday. — Reuter.

Bahrain, May 10.

The United States cruiser Toledo arrived here today on an official visit to the Persian Gulf. She is en route to the East. — Reuter.

Reparations Priority For The U.S.A.?

Washington, May 9. Informed diplomatic sources said the Far Eastern Commission would announce shortly a decision granting the United States priority in its claims against Japanese liquid assets to repay occupation costs and relief food shipments.

The sources said the FEC yesterday approved a policy decision declaring that reparations removals should be "subject to the maintenance of minimum living standards and payment of occupation costs."

They also said this climaxed the many-months struggle by the United States in the Far East Commission to secure recognition of its claims that the United States should have "first charge" against any Japanese assets to cover occupation costs and also to reimburse the Americans for the large quantities of food shipped to Japan. — United Press.

Ex-Premier On Trial

Amsterdam, May 10. Sentence of one year's imprisonment and a fine of 4,000 guilders or four months imprisonment were demanded tonight by the Public Prosecutor on Jankester D. J. Geer, former Premier of the wartime Dutch Government in London.

The 77-year-old former Premier is on trial charged with visiting enemy occupied territory during the war and writing anti-war pamphlets. He went with his government to London when Holland was overrun in 1940, resigned in September of that year and was entrusted with a mission to the Netherlands East Indies.

It was alleged that while in Lisbon he obtained German permission to re-enter Holland, where he wrote and distributed his pamphlets.

The President of the court said that before he left Britain, Geer proposed to Mr. Winston Churchill that he should conclude a "peace of Amiens" (true in the Napoleonic wars signed in 1802 by which both sides made concessions). — Reuter.

12 GENERALS ON TRIAL

Nuremberg, May 10. Twelve German generals who allegedly disregarded all rules of war by murdering 100,000 non-combatants and devastating villages after villages as rapacious measures in Greece, Yugoslavia, Albania and Norway, were indicted here today on war crimes charges.

The indictment was filed by Brig. Gen. Telford Taylor, United States chief of counsel for war crimes, against Field Marshal Wilhelm List and Field Marshal Maximilian von Weichs and 10 other Wehrmacht generals who took part in the German military occupation of Norway and southeastern countries, namely: Generals Walter Kuntz, Herman Foertsch, Franz Boehme, Helmuth Felmy, Hubert Lanz, Ernst Denner, Ernst von Leyser, Wilhelm Speidel, Lothar Rendulic and Kurt von Grelner. — United Press.

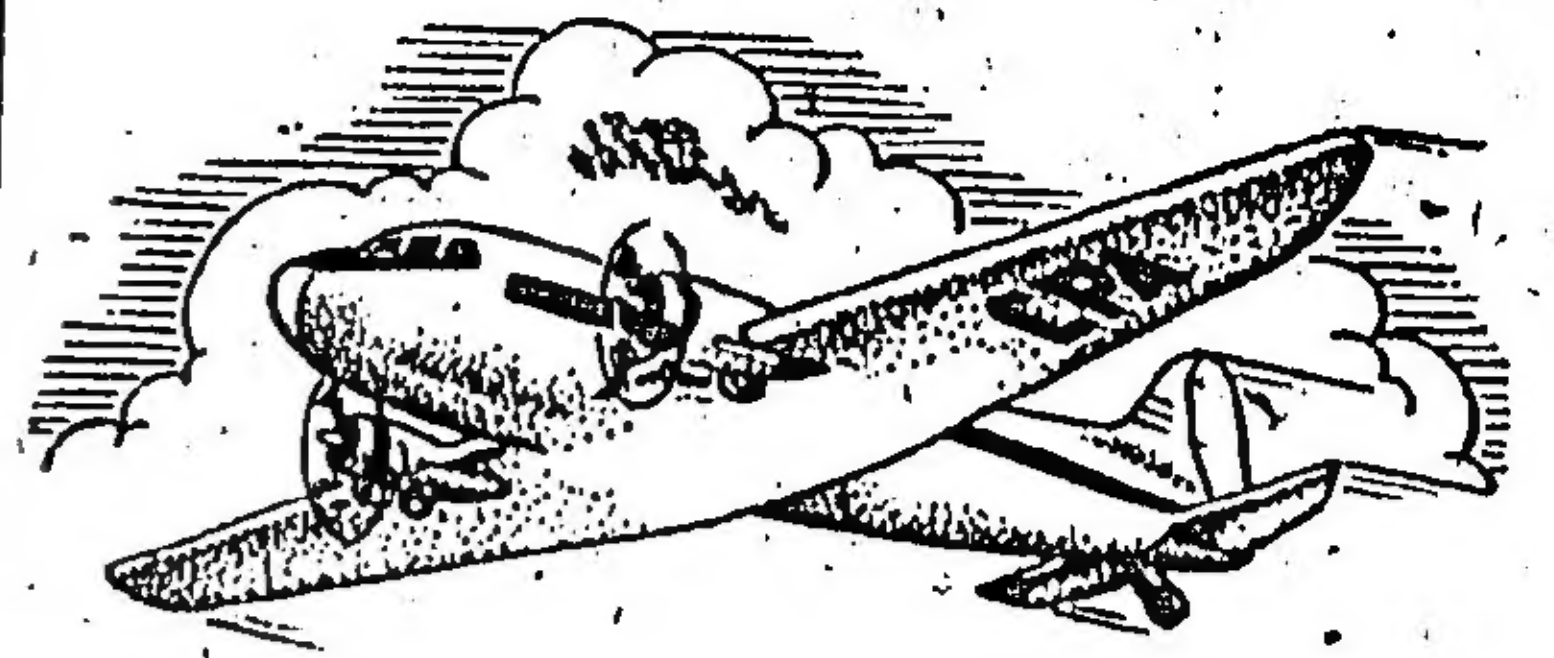
LABOUR TROUBLE IN COLOMBIA

Bogota, May 10. Colombia today faced three major labour strikes. Antioquia railway workers announced that they would strike next Monday and a National Railways stoppage threatens to follow while oil workers said that they would come out on May 22.

High cost of living and general business paralysis were reported to be causing the unrest. — Reuter.

Lahore, May 11.

The Punjab government said today that nine more were killed and several injured in renewed fighting in Amritsar. The death toll is 14 since Friday when mobs clashed after a 48-day lull in violence. — Associated Press.



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IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT U.S. Entry Into European Politics

America Looked To For Help

Geneva, May 10.

Jan Masaryk, Czechoslovakian Foreign Minister and head of the Czech delegation to the Economic Commission for Europe meeting here, said today that the United States' definite entry into the arena of international and particularly European politics constitutes an important new development for the world.

At the same time, however, he warned that the complex texture of post-war Europe demanded a careful study of the facts with exclusion of wishful thinking.

Masaryk said that only the strengthening of the United Nations would provide a frame for real close European economic collaboration. He said a thick layer of suspicion now prevents close cooperation between neighbours, and this first conference could help establish valuable contacts with

only modest aspects of co-operation.

Czechoslovakia would accept participation in a fact-finding commission for Palestine, "for if we can't give the wandering Jew a feeling of security we would not be worth the powder to blow us to hell," Masaryk said.

Old Girl

He declared Europe and Czechoslovakia were looking to the United States for help, and would be grateful to obtain it just as they were for UNRRA help. "However, Europe is a very old girl with great traditions and experience and will therefore have to find her own salvation."

This psychological process, Masaryk thought, might prove somewhat different from the methods of quick decision and efficient operation in the United States.

Raw Materials

Czechoslovakia, like other parts of Europe, is in need of certain raw materials without which it would be very difficult to put the economy on a basis even approaching pre-war standards.

Masaryk thought it would be useful to replace the system of so-called loan loans by specific loans, such as for copper, cotton and other purchases.

The Geneva conference could provide a useful ground for such fact-finding on the specific needs of each country for purposes of reconstruction and economic recovery of Europe.

ANGLO-DANISH TALKS

Copenhagen, May 10.

Danish financial experts are today awaiting the arrival of a British financial delegation to discuss the consequences of British obligations under the Anglo-American loan agreement of 1946. Their aim is to make sterling balances held by foreign countries convertible as from July 15, this year.

Further, the statement revealed a lack-up of funds in the hands of departments by a rise of 46,000,000 in public deposits. Consequently, bankers' balances fell by 15,500,000, giving the reason for the tight conditions experienced in the short loan market.

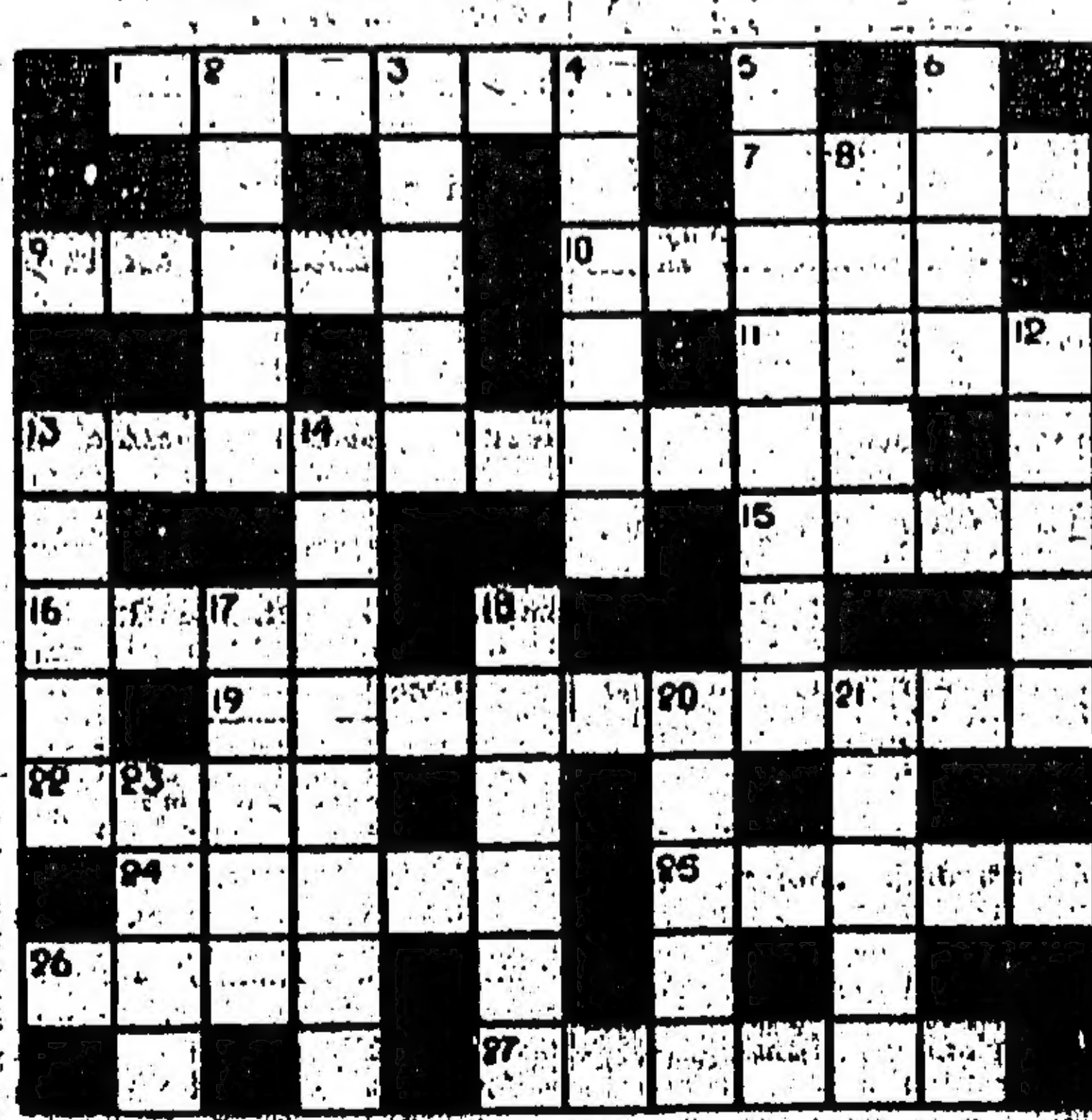
Applications for £170,000,000 Treasury bills—totalled £296,275,000 of which £170,000,000 was allotted at the average rate of ten shillings and 1.38 pence per cent, the market receiving about 24 per cent of its applications.—Reuters.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, May 10.

The forecast of a billion bushel winter wheat crop and unconfirmed trade rumours that the Government might accept a later date for delivery of cash wheat caused gains to decline sharply. Wheat closed 2 1/2 to 3 cents lower. May 22 1/2-2 3/4, July 2 1/2-2 3/4, September 2 1/2-2 3/4, Corn 2 1/2-2 3/4, Oats 1 1/2-1 3/4 lower.—Associated Press.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

1. Fruit.
7. Concealed.
9. Feature.
11. Dagger.
13. Shrank.
15. Necessity.
17. Bellow.
19. Laxity.
21. Given.
23. Locomo.
25. Fit of temper.
27. Whirlpools.

Clues Down

2. Once more.
4. Player.
6. Assail.
8. Testimony.
10. Bank.
12. Exclamation.
14. Heated.
16. Gaper.
18. Wool clip.
20. Yawned.
22. For.
24. Exclamation of woe.

Saturday's Crossword

- Across: 1. Dandelion, 4. Blight, 7. Abrade, 8. Jelly, 10. Lint, 13. Sentences, 15. Ewer, 17. Towel, 19. Lact, 21. Wagon, 23. Keen, 25. Dope, 27. Parry.
- Down: 2. Deadlock, 3. Mariner, 5. Noddy, 6. Operated, 9. Gallon, 11. Pedal, 12. Tattered, 14. Served, 16. Foremost, 18. Repulse, 20. Aspidochelone.

PAYING THROUGH THE NOSE

London, May 11.

Lord de la Warr told the House of Commons yesterday that Britain was obliged to buy food abroad in a "black-mail market."

Wheat from Canada, the Conservative Peer said in a discussion of Britain's food shortage, is costing as much as we are paying our own farmers in this country. Wheat from America is costing even more and wheat from the Argentine, so far as it is available, is a great deal more.—Associated Press.

Australia Backs Mr. Dalton

Sydney, May 11.

The Australian newspapers backed up British Chancellor of the Exchequer Dalton's suggestion that Britain's sterling debts should be scaled down. In Canberra it was indicated that the Australian government was sympathetic towards Britain in her financial difficulties. Australia already had promised Britain a gift of \$80,000,000. New Zealand has given \$40,000,000.

The Prime Minister, J. B. Chifley, explained at Canberra that Australia's gift would be applied to the reduction of the sterling balances at the specific request of Mr. Dalton.—Associated Press.

NO SIGNS OF RECESSION

Washington, May 11.

Census Bureau statisticians said today that the United States unemployment figures show no sign of a business recession.

The Bureau estimated April jobless at 2,420,000, a slight increase over the March figure of 2,330,000.

The post-war peak was reached in March 1945 when the total hit 2,700,000 and then started down again.—Associated Press.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

San Francisco, May 10.

Ship movements: The New World Victory arrived from Jinsen. Seattle ship movements:

Seattle ship movements: The Mount Greylock arrived from Shanghai, the David C. Shanks from Yokohama, the Vinings from Shanghai.

The Katrina Luckenbach sailed for Shanghai, the Francis Marion for Yokohama and the Shan Lee for Shanghai.—Associated Press.

Seattle, May 11.

Ship movements: The Henry Austin arrived from Yokohama, the Joseph R. Lamar departed for Yokohama and the Thomas Fitzsimmons for Yokohama.—Associated Press.

N.Y. COTTON

New York, May 10.

Cotton futures rallied to gains of almost \$1.00 a bale but subsequently lost on increased profit taking and some hedging. Futures closed 35 cents to \$1.15 a bale lower.

May 30.50, July 34.51-54, October 29.36-43, December 28.38-40, March 27.75, May 27.28.—Associated Press.

ZURICH FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Zurich, May 10.

Zurich on London 17.55, New York 4.80, Paris 8.62 1/2, Brussels 9.87 1/2, Amsterdam 102.30, Lisbon 14.42 1/2, Buenos Aires 105.00, Stockholm 119.25, Madrid 30.75.—Reuters.

BOMBAY SILVER & GOLD

Bombay, May 10.

Silver, Ready, per 100 tolas 168 Rupees, 12. August Forward (May settlement) included Gold Delivery, per tola 100, 40; Forward May unquoted; Sovereign, each unquoted; Silver, New settlement (unofficial) unquoted.—Reuters.

ALEXANDRIA BULLION

Alexandria, May 10.

Gold, per "Mithqal", 128 Rupees, Egyptian pound 400, Sovereign 466, Turkish pound 240, Napoleon 240, Dollar (piece of coin) 450, Silver (piece) per Mithqal 160.—Reuters.

MEXICAN EXCHANGE RATES

Mexico City, May 10.

T. 2. Mexico City on London, 100 pesos, 100.00, New York 100.00, Paris 100.00, Buenos Aires 100.00, Santiago 100.00.—Reuters.

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, May 10.

The stock market finished a generally losing week with mild irregularity prevailing in one of the narrowest sessions of the past several years.

For the short proceedings, as throughout the week, speculative and investment caution was produced partly on skepticism regarding the wage price situation, taxes, labour legislation, the business outlook and foreign affairs.

Plus signs had a shade the majority at the close. 240,000 shares and were the lowest since July 20, 1944.

Among gainers were Allied Chemical, Santa Fe, Great Northern Railway, United Aircraft and Glen Martin.

Losers included Chesapeake and Ohio, International Nickel and Phelps-Dodge.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 60.61; 20 Industrials 171.07; 15

Rails 44.77; 10 Utilities 33.86.

Closing quotations—Alaska Juneau 4 1/4, American Smelting 5 1/4, American Telephone 10 1/4, American Tobacco 6 1/4, Anaconda Copper 5 1/4, Baldwin Locomotive 10 1/4, Bannock 2 1/4, Bendis Aviation 20 1/4, Bethlehem Steel 4 1/4, Boeing Aircraft 17 1/4, Boston Co. 40 1/4, Canadian Pacific 10 1/4, Chrysler 10 1/4, Colgate 4 1/4, Corn Products 6 1/4, Dupont 17 1/4, Eastman Kodak 23 1/4, General Electric 34 1/4, General Motors 27 1/4, Goodrich 14 1/4, Goodyear 49 1/4, Greifbush 20 1/4, Homestead Mining 42 1/2, International Harvester 22 1/2, International Paper 4 1/4, International Tel. & Tel. 11 1/4, Johns Manville 11 1/4, Kennecott Copper 4 1/4, Montgomery Ward 5 1/4, National Distillers 27 1/4, National Lead 2 1/4, New York Central 14 1/4, Packard Motors 6 1/4, Pan American 11 1/4, Pennsylvania RR 19 1/4, Radio Corporation 4 1/4, Republic Steel 2 1/4, Reynolds Tobacco 2 1/4, Schenley 2 1/4, Sears Roebuck 3 1/4, Shell Oil 2 1/4, Socony Vacuum 16 1/4, Southern Pacific 2 1/4, Standard Oil of Calif. 5 1/4, Standard Oil of N.J. 7 1/4, Standard Oil of Ind. 7 1/4, Union Carbide 9 1/4, U.S. Rubber 47 1/4, U.S. Steel 67 1/4, U.S. Lines 21, Westinghouse 24 1/4.—Associated Press.

Gold, Silver Exports

Washington, May 11.

The Department of Commerce reports that exports of refined gold bullion for the week ending April 16 were 8,814 troy ounces, including 7,402 to India and 987 to Brazil.

No silver exports were reported during the week.

No imports of refined gold bullion were made although ore and base bullion imports totalled 17,398 troy ounces.

Silver imports were at 1,381,046 of which 879,733 from Mexico and 501,313 from Canada.—Router.

PRICE INDEX

New York, May 11.

The Associated Press composite of 35 wholesale commodity prices stood Friday at 171.20 compared with 170.22 a week ago.

It was the first Friday to Friday rise in six weeks. Grains, cotton and livestock components gained. Food, textiles and industrials dipped.—Associated Press.

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